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Mr. Gregory E. Eckert
South Bay Section T-4-5
Superfund Programs
Hazardous Waste Management Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
215 Fremont Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: 515 Ellis Street, Mountain View, California

Dear Mr. Eckert:

This letter is in response to the Information Request included in Jerry Clifford's letter to Ronald P. Wargo of BRE Properties, Inc. dated as of April 25, 1989.

The number preceding each response below corresponds to the question being answered. All references to the "property" or "site" are to the property known as 515 Ellis Street in Mountain View, California.

1. BRE Properties, Inc. has never occupied the Site. It has owned the property since February 15, 1973. Since that time, the property has been leased to the parties identified in Item 3 below. The businesses conducted by those tenants are also identified in Item 3 below, to BRE's knowledge.

2. Not applicable.

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3. The property has been occupied during BRE Properties' ownership as follows:

January 1, 1973 - December 31, 1981,

Hewlett-Packard Company,
a California corporation
3000 Hanover
Palo Alto, CA 94304
Attn: Mr. S. T. Jack Brigham
General Counsel

Business OnSite:

Warehousing

April 16, 1982 - Present

Genus, Inc., a California
corporation
515 Ellis Street
Mountain View, CA 94043
Attn: Mr. William W.R. Elder
President

Business OnSite:

Research and Development,
Manufacturing

4. BRE Properties owns a single-tenant office building at 100 Moffett Boulevard in Mountain View, California. The tenant is the County of Santa Clara.

5. No.

6. BRE Properties believes that Genus has between two and four above-ground tanks located inside a chain-link fence. BRE thinks that the tanks may contain gasses such as oxygen, nitrogen, and hydrogen but does not have any definitive knowledge as to the contents or other physical characteristics of the tanks.

7. BRE Properties does not have any knowledge of any leaks, spills, releases or threats of releases into the environment or of any hazardous materials that have occurred or may occur at or from the site.

8. BRE Properties does not have any existing technical or analytical information relating to possible contamination of site, such as soil, water, or geology tests.

9. BRE Properties has never occupied the site.

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10. BRE Properties does not know of any such documents.

11. The person answering these questions is Ronald P. Wargo, Vice President of BRE Properties, Inc. whose address is One Montgomery Street, Suite 2500, Telesis Tower, San Francisco, California 94104. His business phone number is (415) 445-6522.

12. BRE Properties consulted with its attorneys at the law firm of Farella, Braun & Martel which is a California partnership. The address is 235 Montgomery Street, Suite 3000, San Francisco, California 94104. The general phone number is (415) 954-4400. Sandra A. Lambert, Esq. is the contact for this matter. Her phone number is 954-4498.

13. The current and former tenants of BRE may be able to provide some additional information. Their names and addresses are provided in Item 3.

14. BRE Properties is not aware of any other persons with the knowledge described in question 14.

Sincerely,



Ronald P. Wargo

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cc: Sandra A. Lambert, Esq.